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SYNTHETIC PEPTIDE OF REGULATORY VIRUS PROTEIN R (VPR) OF

HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS TYPE 1 (HIV-1) AND THE

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated March 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Please note that, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, the amended claims and paragraphs are presented in "clean" form with marked-up versions provided in Appendices A and B, respectively. Applicants note that the specification as originally filed includes some underlining and brackets. Those underlined and bracketed portions from the specification as originally filed appear in the "clean" form presented below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please cancel Examples 16-22 added by the Preliminary Amendment submitted on August 20, 2001.